

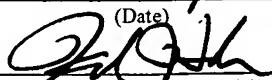


IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s)	:	Hubbell, et al.
App. No.	:	10/761,180
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For	:	Gels For Encapsulation Of Biological Materials
Examiner	:	Berman, Susan W.
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment
 Commissioner for Patents
 P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Communication mailed February 14, 2006, Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed on November 1, 2005 and Office Action mailed June 28, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.